IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Lüers et al.

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Serial No. 09/546,735

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For: A Matting Agent For Radiation Curing Coatings

Box AF **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2002, Applicants request that the above-identified patent application be amended as follows.

In the Specification:

Please amend page 4, line 20, as indicated in the attached mark-up which is attached hereto as Appendix 1. A clean copy of that page is also enclosed as Appendix 2. The specification on that page has been changed to add the sentence "the wax content typically is in the range of 18 to 22% by weight."

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 7, 20, 32, 33, 34, 40 and 41 as set forth in Appendix 3. A clean copy of the claims is provided in Appendix 4.

Please also add new claims 42 and 43, which also appear in Appendix 4.

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